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SUBJECT: CYPRUS: AUGUST 5 MEETING OF NATO CYPRUS GROUP

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SUMMARY: AFTER AUGUST 5 CONSULTATION WITH CYPRUS GROUP, ACTING  
SYG PANSА DETERMINED THAT WITH REGARD TO THE CYPRUS SITUATION  
GENERALLY AND RECENT GREEK ALLEGATIONS OF TURKISH ATROCITIES  
PARTICULARLY, NO CONSTRUCTIVE PURPOSE WOULD PRESENTLY BE SERVED  
BY A FORMAL MEETING OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL. RATHER,  
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PANSА INTENDS TO MAKE ORAL DEMARCHE TO TURKISH AMBASSADOR ERALP  
URGING RESTRAINT ON THE PART OF TURKISH AUTHORITIES. SUBSEQUENTLY,  
PANSА INTENDS TO SPEAK TO GREEK NATO AMBASSADOR CHORAFAS TO ADVISE  
HIM OF HIS DISCUSSION WITH ERALP AND TO URGE RESTRAINT ON THE

PART OF GREEK AUTHORITIES. WHEN THESE ACTIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN, OTHER ALLIES WILL BE BRIEFED AT AN INFORMAL MEETING OF "THE 13" (THE ALLIES MINUS GREECE AND TURKEY) TO BE CHAIRED BY ASSISTANT SYG KASTL. END SUMMARY.

1. ACTING SYG PANSA CONVENED CYPRUS GROUP (CHARGES OF U.S., UK, FRANCE AND BELGIUM PLUS KASTL AND LISSFELT FROM IS) ON MORNING OF AUGUST 5 TO REVIEW RECENT CYPRUS DEVELOPMENTS AND TO DETERMINE WHAT IF ANYTHING HE MIGHT DO AS ACTING SYG TO ASSIST MATTERS. REVIEWING HIS CURRENT UNDERSTANDING OF THE SITUATION, PANSA SAID FIRST PRIORITY WAS IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT. AS HE SAW MATTERS, THERE WAS NOTHING THAT HE OR THE COUNCIL COULD UNDERTAKE IN THIS REGARD. PANSA SAID THE SECOND MAJOR QUESTION WAS THE ALLEGATIONS OF TURKISH ATROCITIES RAISED BY GREEK NATO AMBASSADOR CHORAFAS AND ECHOED IN OTHER COMMUNICATIONS INCLUDING A TELEGRAM HE RECEIVED FROM ARCHBISHOP GENNADIOS, BISHOP OF PAPHOS. THIRDLY, PANSA HAD NOTED PRESS REPORTS THAT THE FORTHCOMING ISSUE OF TIME MAGAZINE CONTAINS AN INTERVIEW WITH PRIME MINISTER ECEVIT IN WHICH ECEVIT REPORTEDLY QUESTIONED WHETHER TURKEY CAN CONTINUE TO COOPERATE WITH GREECE IN THE NATO MILITARY AFFAIRS CONTEXT.

2. LOGAN (UK), REPORTING ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CEASEFIRE, SAID MATTERS WERE MOVING FORWARD AT A VERY SLOW PACE INITIALLY BECAUSE OF THE SOVIET VETO IN THE UN AND LATER BECAUSE OF TURKISH DELAY IN NOMINATING A REPRESENTATIVE TO THE CEASEFIRE COMMISSION. LOGAN SAID FORMAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CEASEFIRE DID NOT GET UNDERWAY UNTIL 2:30 ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 2, AT WHICH POINT BOTH TURKS AND GREEKS PUT FORWARD MAPS SHOWING POSITIONS OF THEIR FORCES AND THAT THESE OF COURSE DID NOT AGREE. ON AUGUST 4 A RECONNAISSANCE GROUP WENT OUT BY HELICOPTER TO REVIEW THE SITUATION IN PARTICULAR AREAS AND TO DETERMINE THE FRONT LINES. LOGAN SAID THIS AUGUST 4 RECONNAISSANCE EFFORT ACHIEVED SOME SMALL SUCCESS BUT WAS LARGELY FRUSTRATED. UK IS NOW SEEKING TO CRYSTALIZE POSITIONS NOT AS THEY WERE ON JULY 30 BUT RATHER AS THEY ARE AT THE MOMENT. ESTABLISHMENT OF A DEMARCATION LINE IS CERTAIN TO BE A SLOW PROCESS, UK AUTHORITIES BELIEVE, AND CONFIDENTIAL

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ESTABLISHMENT OF A BUFFER ZONE IS LIKELY TO BE EVEN MORE DIFFICULT. LOGAN SAID HIS PEOPLE HAVE LITTLE HOPE THAT EVEN THE DEMARCATION LINES WILL BE ESTABLISHED BEFORE THE GENEVA MEETING ON AUGUST 8.

3. REFERRING TO CHORAFAS' RECENT LETTER, LOGAN SAID IT APPEARED QUITE CLEAR THAT THE TURKS ARE EXPELLING GREEK CYPRIOTS FROM THE AREAS TURKISH FORCES CONTROL. PRIME MINISTER WILSON HAS RECEIVED AN APPEAL FROM MR. CLERIDES REFERRING TO THESE ACTIVITIES, AND GREEK EMBASSIES EVERYWHERE SEEM TO BE MAKING SIMILAR REPRESENTATIONS TO FRIENDLY GOVERNMENTS, THE UK CHARGE SAID. THE UK AMBASSADOR IN ANKARA HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO MAKE REPRESENTATIONS TO PRIME MINISTER ECEVIT CALLING FOR HUMANE TREATMENT OF GREEK CYPRIOTS. SIMILARLY, LOGAN SAID HMG IS

URGING THE GREEKS TO SHOW RESTRAINT. LOGAN EMPHASIZED THAT HIS AUTHORITIES ARE STRIVING TO MOVE FORWARD IN AN EVEN-HANDED MANNER SINCE HMG RECOGNIZES THAT THERE ARE TWO SIDES TO THE ATROCITY QUESTION AND IT MAY BE SAID THAT TURKISH MILITARY FORCES ARE TAKING MUCH THE SAME ACTION THAT THE GREEKS TOOK WITH RESPECT TO TURKISH CYPRIOTS IN THE SOUTH.

4. U.S. CHARGE MCAULIFFE, DRAWING ON REF A, SAID THE U.S. AGREES WITH THE ASYG THAT A NAC MEETING WOULD SERVE NO PURPOSE AND WOULD ONLY AFFORD AN OPPORTUNITY FOR EXCHANGE OF CHARGES AND COUNTER-CHARGES. THE FOCAL POINT OF PRACTICAL EFFORTS TO MAKE THE CEASEFIRE EFFECTIVE MUST BE ON THE GROUND IN CYPRUS IN SUPPORT OF THE EFFORTS ON WHICH LOGAN HAD JUST REPORTED. MCAULIFFE REFERRED TO HIS LETTER TO PANSA AND PERMREPS EARLIER IN THE DAY IN WHICH HE REPORTED ON THE PURPOSE OF THE TRIP ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN IS MAKING TO CYPRUS, GREECE AND TURKEY. PANSA SAID HE PERSONALLY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION WHICH MISSION COULD SHARE WITH HIM AND POSSIBLY WITH OTHER INTERESTED ALLIES AS A RESULT OF HARTMAN'S REPRESENTATIONS AND SOUNDINGS IN THE THREE CAPITALS.

5. EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR THE INFORMATION AND ADVICE OF THE CYPRUS GROUP, PANSA SAID HE WAS DECIDED TO MAKE AN ORAL DEMARCHE TO ERALP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO URGE RESTRAINT ON THE TURKISH AUTHORITIES AND TO SEEK CLARIFICATION OF PRIME MINISTER ECEVIT'S STATEMENT AS REPORTED IN TIME MAGAZINE. SUBSEQUENTLY, PANSA INTENDS TO SPEAK WITH CHORAFAS TO ADVISE THE GREEK AMBASSADOR OF HIS DISCUSSION WITH ERALP AND TO LIKEWISE CONFIDENTIAL

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URGE RESTRAINT UPON GREEK AUTHORITIES. AFTER THESE REPRESENTATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE, PANSA SAID HE WOULD HAVE ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL KASTL CALL AN INFORMAL MEETING OF 13 ALLIES (ECLUDING GREECE AND TURKEY) TO INFORM THEM OF THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE ASYG. MCAULIFFE

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